

**ABSOLUTE RATING:** Excellent  
**IMPROVEMENT RATING:** Good

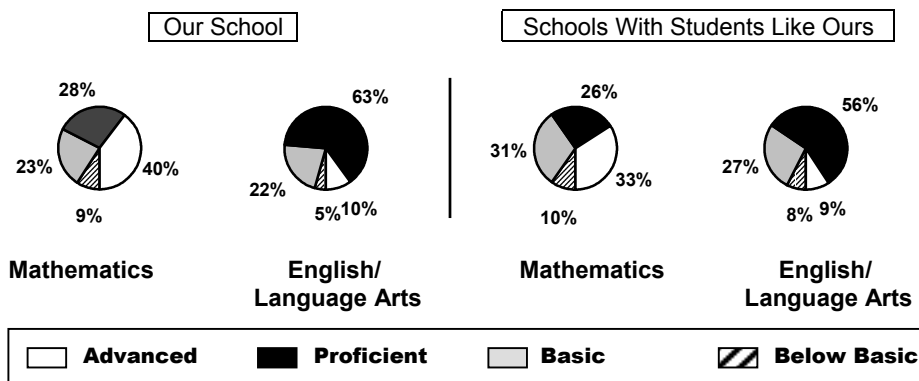
Number of Elementary schools with students like ours: 14.  
 The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from average to excellent. For improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to good.

## RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD



(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

## PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS



## DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:

- Advanced** – Student performance exceeded expectations.
- Proficient** – Student performance met expectations.
- Basic** – Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic** – Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

Science scores are to be reported on the 2004 School Report Card. Social studies scores are to be reported on the 2005 School Report Card.

PERCENT OF STUDENTS SCORING BASIC OR ABOVE ON THE PACT				
Student Group	English/ Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies
<b>All students (n=332)</b>	95.5	90.7	N/A	N/A
Students with disabilities other than Speech (n=18)	N/A	N/A		
Students without disabilities (n=314)	96.8	93.3		
<b>Gender</b>				
Male (n=172)	93.6	91.3		
Female (n=160)	97.5	90		
<b>Ethnic Group</b>				
African American (n=36)	86.1	75		
Hispanic (n=N/A)	N/A	N/A		
White (n=294)	96.6	92.5		
Other (n=2)	N/A	N/A		
<b>Lunch Status Group</b>				
Free/reduced-price Lunch (n=25)	N/A	N/A		
Pay for lunch (n=307)	97.1	93.2		

## SCHOOL PROFILE

### INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

SCHOOL	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
• Dollars spent per student	\$5,648	N/A	\$4,964	\$5,347
• Prime instructional time	90.2%	Down from 92.6%	91.7%	90.2%
• Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	20.9 to 1	N/A	20.8 to 1	18.7 to 1
<b>STUDENTS (n=607)</b>				
• Attendance Rate	96.7%	Down from 97.2%	96.7%	96.2%
• Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level	0%	N/A	0%	4.1%
• Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (math) off grade level	0%	N/A	0%	3.1%
• First graders who attended full day kindergarten	94.1%	Up from 85.3%	93.5%	96.3%
• Meeting grade 1 and 2 readiness standards	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Retention rate	0.6%	Up from 0.3%	1.5%	3.6%
<b>TEACHERS (n=41)</b>				
• Professional Development days per teacher	5 Days	Down from 6.8	7.5 Days	7.6 days
• Attendance Rate	94%	Down from 96.3%	95.9%	95.1%
• Teachers with advanced degrees	63.4%	Down from 65.1%	62.9%	47.7%
• Continuing contract teachers	90.2%	Up from 83.7%	90.2%	83.8%
• Teachers with out-of-field permits	0%	No change	0%	0.0%
• Teachers returning from the previous school year	85.5%	Up from 83.5%	86.7%	87.2%
• Average teacher salary	\$41,104	Up 4.6%	\$39,840	\$37,520

## SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
<b>SCHOOL</b>				
• Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries	66.6%	N/A	68.8%	65.3%
• Principal's years at the school	1	N/A	4	4.0
• Parents attending conferences	100%	N/A	96.8%	95.6%
• Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Good
<b>STUDENTS</b>				
• On academic plans	14.8%	Down from 19.4%	21.9%	43.1%
• On academic probation	0%	N/A	0%	0.0%
• Older than usual for grade	0.2%	No change	0.3%	1.1%
• Suspended or expelled	29	N/A	1	1
• Gifted and talented	48.9%	Up from 33.8%	37.2%	11.5%
• With disabilities other than speech	4.2%	Down from 4.8%	5.5%	8.4%



## PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

The mission of Irmo Elementary School, where excellence is a tradition and learning has no boundaries, is to ensure that each child achieves his or her potential through diverse and challenging educational experiences, which provide a foundation for life-long learning and instill a desire to be a productive member of society.

Among our accomplishments are: Palmetto's Finest School, National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence, Exemplary Writing School, and Professional Development School.

Linda Moniuszko joined our staff in 2000-01 as principal. She brought innovative programs with her, including: Reading Together USA (a peer tutoring program involving 2nd and 5th graders), Positive Discipline (a peer conflict resolution model), and Differentiated Instructional Plans (to help meet the needs of individual students).

Nic Finelli, a 5th grade teacher and our webmaster, is our 2001-02 Teacher of the Year.

Historically this community has had a high level of parent involvement. We have active volunteers in our building daily. Parents are responsible for many different committees, all of which contribute to the academic growth of our students. The parents' many contributions include our Computer Curriculum Corporation Lab (which offers leveled reading and math instruction for each child each day), a parent operated IES Publishing Center, and a covered shelter/outdoor classroom.

Our school has been involved in implementing a Family Literacy and Safety Grant. This after school program, Success in Schools, helps to build teamwork, leadership, and conflict management skills through character education activities.

Our students learn to be good citizens by accepting the responsibility of service at school. Fourth grade students deliver the mail for our Wee Deliver System. Fifth grade students serve on our Safety Patrol and help to produce the WBEE Morning Show. Many students serve on the Student Council and work as Friendly Helpers.

Our goal at Irmo Elementary School is to challenge each and every child to achieve his or her greatest potential.

### EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	94.9	91.5	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	90.0	95.2	
Satisfied with home-school relations	97.5	93.3	

### DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

**Excellent** – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Good** – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Average** – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Below Average** – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Unsatisfactory** – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

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Grades K-5 Elementary School

Enrollment: 607 Students

#### Principal

Ms. Linda Moniuszko 803-732-8275

#### Superintendent

Dr. Dennis O. McMahon 803-732-8012

#### Board Chair

Mrs. Paula Hite 803-749-1387



## THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School  
Report Card

2001



School Grade:  
Excellent

#### South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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